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Secretary Williams:

Below are comments submitted by City and County of Broomfield Elections Division staff for the Proposed Working Draft Rules released June 15, 2018.

Proposed Working Draft Rule 26.5

We ask for clarification or an exemption provision regarding the need for two cards. It is our understanding the Democracy Suite 5.2 version is able to place ranked voting races on the same card as a "vote for one" race. For Broomfield, a two-card ballot would greatly increase the cost and complexity of the election. There may be voter confusion in regard to not having all contests for a district on a single ballot. For example, the mayoral race may be on a separate card than all other Broomfield contests.

Proposed Working Draft Rule 26.8.2

We ask for clarification. Does this mean that if a voter casts a first choice, third choice, and fourth choice, that we would not consider the third and fourth choice votes in subsequent rounds?

Proposed Working Draft Rule 26.9

Is there an avenue to comply with 1-7-1003 (7)(a) C.R.S. and also not report by precinct? In an odd-year election, this requirement could more than triple the number of ballot styles we need to produce in Broomfield, again increasing the cost and complexity of our election.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these Proposed Working Draft Rules.

Sincerely,

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